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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

: Confirmation No. 5877

Naoya SHIBATA et al.

: Attorney Docket No. 2005_1012A

Serial No. 10/539,746

: Group Art Unit 1796

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: Examiner Ling Siu Choi

FLUORESCENT SUBSTANCE- OR
CONTRAST MEDIUM-CONTAINING
LATEX POLYMER PARTICLES, AND
A PROCESS TO PRODUCE THE SAME

: Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 9, 2007, constituting a requirement for restriction between (I) claims 1-9, and (II) claims 10-15, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-9.

This election is made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 10-15.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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